

## Wisconsin DNR Resolution

April 10, 2006

**The problem:**

Rainbow (steelhead) and brown trout are highly vulnerable and face great angling pressure as they spawn in the spring and fall in Lake Michigan tributary rivers and streams. Fish returns continue to diminish (i.e. Root and Kewaunee rivers) yearly and are typically less than 1000 fish for any given spawning run for either species of brown or rainbow trout in any given river. Both brown and rainbow trout can be caught repeatedly if released during the spawning season, and unlike salmon which die, the trout return to Lake Michigan.

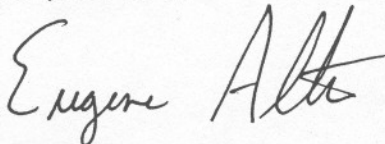
The current daily bag limit of 5 fish allows too many fish to be harvested by one individual.

Whereas, rainbow and brown trout numbers can be quickly reduced by angling pressure.

Whereas, there are few rivers and limited returns of fish, therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED**, the Conservation Congress at its annual meeting held in Kenosha County, on Monday April 10, 2006 recommends that the Department of Natural Resources take action to correct this situation by reducing the daily bag limit of both Brown or Rainbow (Steelhead) trout from 5 to 2 fish on Lake Michigan tributary rivers and streams.

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